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APPLICATION NO: **10/055,653**

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FOR: **METHODS OF ADMINISTERING EPOTHILONE ANALOGS  
FOR THE TRETAMENT OF CANCER**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Please delete the section entitled "**Cross-Reference to Related Applications**" and insert the following replacement section:

**Cross- Reference To Related Applications**

This application claims priority from provisional application serial numbers 60/264,228, filed January 25, 2001 and 60/290,008, filed May 11, 2001, both of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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